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FOR ATTENTION OF "H"

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: CPAS UR NO

SUBJ: PROPOSAL TO MAKE SOLZHENITSYN HONORARY U.S. CITIZEN

1. AFTENPOSTEN'S FORMER MOSCOW CORRESPONDENT, PER HEGGE, WHO IS ACCOMPANYING SOLZHENITSYN DURING HIS NORWEGIAN VISIT, PHONED DCM FEBRUARY 25 TO DISCUSS A PROPOSAL PUT FORWARD BY CERTAIN UNNAMED SENATORS AND CONGRESSMEN THAT SOLZHENITSYN BE MADE AN HONORARY U.S. CITIZEN. FRANCIS RONALDS, DIRECTOR OF RADIO LIBERTY, CONTACTED SOLZHENITSYN TO SAY THAT THESE MEMBERS OF CONGRESS WISHED HIS REACTION BEFORE PROCEEDING TO PROPOSE HIM.

2. HEGGE SAID THAT SOLZHENITSYN WOULD LIKE THE MEMBERS OF CONGRESS IN QUESTION TO KNOW THAT HE WOULD BE VERY PLEASED TO BE MADE AN HONORARY U.S. CITIZEN. HE PREFERRED, HOWEVER, THAT THIS INFORMATION BE CONVEYED TO THE MEMBERS OF CONGRESS OUTSIDE OF THE RADIO LIBERTY CHANNEL. HEGGE ASSUMED THAT SENATOR JACKSON WAS ONE OF THE SPONSORS OF THIS PROPOSAL.

3. ACTION: IT IS EVIDENT THAT SOLZHENITSYN DOES NOT
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WISH TO GET HIMSELF TOO IDENTIFIED WITH RADIO LIBERTY.

PRESUMABLY "H" HAS MEANS OF DETERMINING WITH WHOM
THE PROPOSAL ORIGINATED IN CONGRESS AND OF CONVEYING
SOLZHENITSYN'S MESSAGE WITHOUT USING RADIO LIBERTY AS THE
POINT OF CONTACT.
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